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# Gladiolus Bulbs

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RIDGEWOOD GARDENS

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*Gladiolus "Opalescent"*

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The bulbs of choice old and new varieties of gladiolus offered herein are of best quality pure stock. My customers speak highly of them and their product. They are winners. Fifteen vases of my blooms competing with nearly five hundred entries at the Clarke County Floral Society show August 1-2, 1925, drew SIX AWARDS out of a total of ninety.

The gladiolus is not as widely known or grown as it should be. No other flower has such a wide range of tints, colors and color combinations. Most of them are unexcelled for cut flowers and decorative work. Others are better adapted for landscape uses.

To encourage more extensive planting my stock is offered at unusually attractive prices for the retail trade. Moreover I don't skimp on the count. Shipments will be prepaid at these prices to any address where parcels post goes in the United States, its territories, and Canada. Canadian customers must not fail to secure import permit, file it with their Collector of Customs, and advise me its number.

Plant them in liberal quantities in the spring as soon as danger of freezing is past. Cover about three inches in heavy soils, deeper in light and sandy soils. Water well about once a week and cultivate as soon as possible afterwards.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTION No. 1

Try them all! One each of "Older Standard Varieties and Novelties," 44 bulbs, separately labeled, total list \$7.11, for \$5.00; six of each for \$20.00.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION No. 2

SIXTEEN varieties giving a good range of colors and an extended blooming period:

Alice Tiplady	E. J. Shaylor	Orange Glory
Anna Eberius	Gladis Plath	Purple Glory
Bengal Tiger	Golden Measure	Rose Ash
Crimson Glow	Jack London	Schwaben
Elora	Jewell	
Ea. Snowflake	Myra	

List \$1.81. SPECIAL: One each \$1.40; six each \$5.50.

TERMS: Cash with order. Minimum mail order \$1.00. All orders accepted subject to prior sale. Better order early and avoid disappointments.

Give me the names and addresses of your flower-growing friends and I will put some good extras in with your order.

# Announcement

I will have for introduction next season one of the finest new gladiolus yet produced. It is another origination of Dr. Geo. B. Pratt, who gave us BENGAL TIGER. A tall, graceful spike of amaryllis-like blooms of rich Indian red, overlaid with bronze-yellow, giving a wonderful golden brown appearance. The price will be reasonable.

**NAMED: "SACAJAWEA".** { Color: Tulip  
"Panorama"

Unless otherwise designated bulbs are  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches in diameter or larger; medium sizes are about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter.

Initials or names of originators usually appear after the names of the varieties: Kunderd (K), Diener (D), etc.

## NEW AND RARE NOVELTIES

Priced each: SIX for the price of 5.

TWELVE for the price of 10.

Varieties marked with asterisk (\*) may be had in half size bulbs at half the list price.

ALLAN V. BUNCE (Bill) Livid orange yellow blooms gracefully winged on wiry stems	\$1.50
BEATRICE (Bill) Prim. NEW. Texture like soft crepe paper; eosine pink over cream	.50
BREAK O' DAY (Bill) Extra fine. Soft LaFrance pink over cream ground. Medium size	7.50
BADENIA. Unusual. Light clear blue.	1.00*
CHAMELEON (Bill) Like changeable silk of lilac, purple, violet and orange	.75
CARDINAL PRINCE (K) Rich cardinal self-color	2.50*
CHALICE FLOWER (K) Light creamy blush white. Cupped blooms; tall and ruffled	2.50*
DR. F. E. BENNETT (D) Deep flame scarlet	1.00*
DUCHESS OF YORK (Dutch) Dark bluish purple	.50
E. B. WILLIAMSON (K) Prim. Deep mallow purple	1.25*
ELAINE (Bill) Lily white, lilac throat lines	1.00
GERALDINE FARRAR (D) Lavender violet. Halfsize	1.25
J. A. CARBONE (D) Iridescent orange salmon	.50
KING OF THE BLUES (Hl) Very dark blue. Halfsize	.35
OPALESCENT (Bill) A wonderful pale lavender	.50
ORANGE FLAME (K) Brilliant ruffled orange red	.75
PRIORITY (Bill) Venetian pink, shaded darker toward edges of petals. Large and airy	.50
REVUE (Bill) Prim. Large expanded blooms; mar-tius yellow flushed pink at tips	.35
SIBYL (Bill) Large, cream flaked mallow pink	.40
STARLIGHT (Bill) Prim. Extra early. Ruffled cream; pomegranate lines on wax yellow throat	.50
SULPHUR FRILLS (K) Tall ruffled sulphur yellow	.75
SUNSET GLOW (Gibbs) Prim. Firey red; yellow throat	.20
VANITY (Bill) Tall, graceful, LaFrance pink on creamy white	.35
TROJANA (Bill) Large open blooms of soft geranium pink, flaked begonia rose	.30

## OLDER STANDARD VARIETIES AND NOVELTIES

Priced each: SIX at four times the price each.

DOZEN at seven times the price each.

ALICE TIPLADY (K)	Prim. Orange saffron. A beauty	\$ .08
ALTON (K)	Ruffled buff organe. Landscape	.15
ANNA EBERIUS (D)	Deep rhodamine purple	.10
A. W. HUNT (Christy)	Large bright red	.30
BENGAL TIGER (Pratt)	Bright old rose red with chocolate striping; yellow throat	.15
CRIMSON GLOW (Betscher)	Large rich crimson	.10
DIANA (Z)	Fine commercial red	.12
DR. W. VAN FLEET (K)	Early ruffled pink and cream	.20
DON JUAN (K)	Heavily ruffled salmon pink	.30
DEW DROP (K)	Ruffled apple blossom pink	.10
EARLY SNOWFLAKE (Kemp)	Early white, flecked rose	.10
E. J. SHAYLOR (K)	Ruffled deep rose pink	.10
ELF (D)	Pure white with lemon yellow lip	.12
ELORA (Burbank)	Early creamy white. Fine	.12
GIANT MYRTLE (K)	Soft pink, creamy throat	.40
GLADIS PLATH (D)	Mallow purple, deep crimson lip. One of the most talked of in my garden	.20
GLENDALE (Davis)	Tall graceful Amer. Beauty purple	.25
GOLD (Decrah)	Very fine yellow	.15
GOLDEN MEASURE (Kel.)	Tall exhibition yellow	.12
JACK LONDON (D)	Salmon; orange flame stripes	.12
JEWELL (Z)	Large prim. Light pink; yellow throat	.12
JCE COLEMAN (K)	Ruffled rose red	.10
LOUISE (Wright)	Lavender	.10
LUCETTE (Bill)	White; phlox pink on petal backs	.12
MADISON COOPER (K)	Purplish satiny red. EXTRA	.35
MARSHAL FUCH (K)	Ruffled soft salmon. EXTRA FINE	.18
MASTERPIECE (K)	Ruffled Amer. Beauty pink	.15
MISS SPOKANE (K)	Large ruffled orange salmon. Half size	.15
MING TOY (K)	Prim. Large buff yellow	.15
MRS. F. C. PETERS (Fischer)	Ees. lavender EXTRA	.25
MRS. H. E. BOTHIN (D)	Ruffled geranium pink	.15
MRS. M. S. BURKE (D)	Apricot and yellow	.15
MRS. LEON DOUGLAS (D)	Tall and large. Begonia rose, flame stripes. In great demand	.40
MYRA (K)	Prim. Large salmon pink and cream	.05
ORANGE GLORY (K)	Ruffled peach-red, suffused scarlet	.10
PURPLE GLORY (K)	Tall large ruffled garnet EXT.	.20
PRINCE OF WALES	Most popular early salmon pink	.08
RED FIRE (K)	Brilliant red. Half size bulbs	.15
RICHARD DIENER (D)	Geranium pink. EXTRA FINE	.35
ROSE ASH (D)	"Ashes of Roses." In big demand	.10
ROSE GLORY (K)	Ruffled rose pink	.08
SCHWABEN	Old favorite soft waxen yellow	.05
WHITE GLORY (K)	Ruffled white, lilac-blue throat	.15